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QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L MAPUTO 1481

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MZ, RH, UK, US

SUBJECT: RHODESIA: MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER CHISSANO

REF: MAPUTO 1455

1. UK AMBASSADOR JOHN LEWEN AND I HAD A HALF-HOUR
MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER CHISSANO THIS MORNING
AT LATTER'S REQUEST. MEETING WAS A FOLLOW-UP TO OUR
MEETING WITH PRESIDENT MACHEL ON DECEMBER 2 (REFTEL),
AT WHICH CHISSANO HAD BEEN PRESENT. APPARENT PURPOSE OF
TODAY'S MEETING WAS TO APPEAL TO US AND UK FOR MATERIAL
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ASSISTANCE TO REPAIR BRIDGES, BUILDINGS AND TELECOMMUNICA-
TIONS FACILITIES DESTROYED IN RECENT RHODESIAN RAIDS.
REPORT OF THIS DISCUSSION WITH EMBASSY'S COMMENTS AND
RECOMMENDATIONS WILL FOLLOW SEPTTEL.

2. AT CONCLUSION OF MEETING, LEWEN ASKED IF GPRM WAS
READY TO RESPOND TO PRIME MINISTER CALLAGHAN'S LETTER

PROPOSING A MEETING BETWEEN MACHEL AND LORD CARVER AND
PARTY. CHISSANO SAID HE HAD NOT AS YET TALKED TO MACHEL
ABOUT THIS: NOTED THAT PRESIDENT HAD BEEN BUSY PREPARING
FOR HIS TRIP TO NIGERIA, FOR WHICH HE LEAVES TOMORROW
MORNING. LEWEN SAID HE WOULD APPRECIATE AN EARLY REPLY
SINCE IT TAKES TIME TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUCH A TRIP.
CHISSANO SAID HE WOULD SEE IF HE COULD FIND OUT, BUT
GAVE NO ASSURANCES THAT ANSWER WOULD COME BEFORE PRESIDENT'S
DEPARTURE FOR NIGERIA.
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